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8 **UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT**  
9 **DISTRICT OF NEVADA**

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11 AMERICAN ALTERNATIVE INSURANCE  
CORP.,

12 Plaintiff(s),

13 v.

14 JOHN DUCAS,

15 Defendant(s).

Case No.: 2:18-cv-02346-APG-NJK

**Order**

[Docket No. 19]

16 Pending before the Court is a stipulation to bifurcate discovery and to extend the deadlines  
17 in the scheduling order. Docket No. 19. The Court **DEFERS** ruling on bifurcating discovery and  
18 **SETS** a hearing on that issue for 1:30 p.m. on July 9, 2019, in Courtroom 3A.

19 With respect to the request to extend deadlines, the parties seek a lengthy 90-day extension  
20 to the unexpired deadlines in the scheduling order. Such a request would represent a 50% increase  
21 to the current discovery period, and reasons were not provided in the stipulation to justify such an  
22 expansion.<sup>1</sup> The Court instead finds that the reasons proffered justify a 30-day extension.  
23 Accordingly, the stipulation to extend deadlines is **GRANTED** in part and **DENIED** in part, and  
24 deadlines are **SET** as follows:

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  - Amend complaint/ add parties: closed

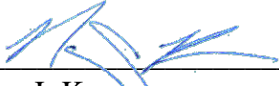
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27 <sup>1</sup> Without meaningful development, the stipulation points to the “volume” of discovery to  
28 date and the need to review it before expert disclosures. Such a bald representation does not justify  
a 90-day extension.

- Expert designations: July 29, 2019
- Interim status report: July 29, 2019
- Rebuttal experts: August 27, 2019
- Discovery cutoff: September 26, 2019
- Dispositive motions: October 28, 2019
- Joint proposed pretrial order: November 27, 2019

Unless and until the Court decides otherwise, the above deadlines apply to all issues in the case as bifurcation is not being ordered herein.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

Dated: June 28, 2019



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Nancy J. Koppe  
United States Magistrate Judge